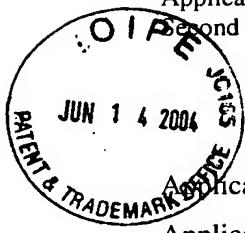


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An amendment to drawing Figure 3 is described on page 2 of this paper and is shown on the attached replacement drawing sheet 3/10.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.

**AMENDMENT TO THE DRAWINGS**

The following change is shown on the attached replacement drawing sheet.

**In Figure 3, the attachment zones 251a and 251b have been deleted, *i.e.*, they are not shown, just as they were not shown in the originally submitted figure. In the preceding Preliminary Amendment, these elements were mistakenly added to this figure, but are correctly not shown in this figure.**

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